FREMONT CITY COUNCIL and FREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD

Joint Meeting Monday, February 2, 2009 4:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 3300 Capital Ave, Building A Fremont, CA

MINUTES

1. **Opening**

Call to Order: Mayor Wasserman called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Flag Salute: Mayor Wasserman led the salute to the flag.

Roll Call: City Council: Present: Mayor Wasserman, Vice Mayor Natarajan,

Council members Chan, Wieckowski, and Harrison

FUSD Board: Present: President Sweeney, Vice President York, Clerk

Gebhardt, Board members Mei and Wu

Absent: Student Member Yang

2. Approval of the Minutes of October 6, 2008

On a motion by Board member York, seconded by Councilmember Natarajan, the City Council and FUSD Board approved the minutes for the meeting of October 6, 2008.

Ayes: City Council: Mayor Wasserman, Vice Mayor Natarajan, Council members

Chan, Wieckowski, and Harrison.

FUSD Board: President Sweeney, Vice President York, Clerk Gebhardt,

Board members Mei and Wu.

Noes: None. Abstain: None.

Absent: Student Member Yang

3. **Oral Communications – None.**

4. Public Comment on Items on the Agenda –

Jon Takei expressed his concern and dismay at the City Council's acceptance of the A's proposal for the location in Warm Springs.

Vinnie Bacon questioned whether schools in FUSD can handle the number of students generated from the proposed A's housing development and also expressed his concerns regarding the impact on the quality of education.

Russ Engle spoke regarding the district budget crisis and working together as a team. He expressed his concerns regarding the A's proposal and requested the stadium be placed at Pacific Commons.

5. City's Green Task Force Recommendations Presentation

Dan Shoenholz, General Plan Update Project Manager, provided an overview of the Green Task Force Recommendations.

The purpose of the Green Task Force is to develop recommendations regarding sustainable practices for City operations and the Fremont community. The task force was appointed by the Mayor and City Council last year and comprised of seven citizens.

The presentation included information on:

- "Climate Action Students Workshop"
- GHG Emission Reduction Goal
- Highlights of other GTF recommendation; 1) publicity/education on sustainability; 2) "greening" the City's operations; 3) leadership role in community efforts; 4) encourage transit oriented development.
- Opportunities for Joint FUSD/City Collaboration
- Climate Action Plan
- Economic Stimulus Package
 - o Energy Efficiency Grants for local government and schools (proposed)

Council members and FUSD Boardmembers expressed their appreciation for the presentation and engaged in discussion and an exchange of information and ideas. No action was taken on this item.

6. **Healthy Choices Program**

Laurie Linscheid, Clinical Supervisor for Healthy Choices, made a presentation about the Healthy Choices School Site Counseling Program.

The City of Fremont Youth & Family Services, in collaboration with Fremont Unified and Newark Unified School District, and Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services, provide a variety of counseling services, including crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, consultation with parents and teachers and family crisis session. Counselors work closely with school personnel to identify students most in need of services. They currently serve youth on twenty FUSD campuses, seventeen of which are elementary sites.

Council members and FUSD Board members engaged in a question and answer period. No action was taken.

7. **Budget Crisis**

FUSD Superintendent Milt Werner and Harriet Common, Financial Director for the City of Fremont shared information on their respective budgets and the crises facing both entities.

Council members and FUSD Board members engaged in a question and answer period. No action was taken.

8. A's Update

Jill Keimach, Director of Community Development, provided information regarding the process which has been in place to address the proposed A's project. City Manager Fred Diaz commented on the guiding principles that have been adopted by the City Council.

Jill Keimach shared information regarding mitigation and analysis of the A's project and stated the City will be considering whether or not the A's project is a good business decision for the City of Fremont.

Council members and FUSD Board members engaged in a question and answer period. No action was taken.

9. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 4, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 3300 Capitol Avenue, Fremont.

10. **Suggestions for Agenda Items**

- City maps and websites presentation regarding information available to the public regarding schools in the various areas of Fremont.
- 10-20 year plan for Smart growth decisions regarding Construction of housing along our transit nodes
- Sustainability/Green and how the City & FUSD are working together

Future items – schedule to be determined

- Transportation Study
- Overcrowding at schools, to include upcoming possible residential projects

11. **Meeting Evaluation** – None.

Adjournment 12.

There being no further business, President Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m.